

## ABSTRACT

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3 The present invention provides a method for removing selenium from an  
4 aqueous stream by passing the aqueous stream, in combination with a  
5 quaternary amine compound, through a filter and recovering a treated  
6 aqueous stream which is depleted in selenium content relative to the  
7 untreated aqueous stream. The present method removes selenium from an  
8 aqueous refinery stream by passing the aqueous stream, in combination with  
9 a quaternary amine compound, through a filter that can include clay, cellulose,  
10 starch, activated carbon, and the like.